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SUBJECT: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER MACEACHEN TO VISIT MIDDLE EAST

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1. PRESS REPORTS CITE EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR KAMAL AS SAYING MACEACHEN PLANS TO VISIT MIDDLE EAST LATER THIS YEAR. EXTAFF OFFICIALS TELL US THAT A VISIT TO EGYPT, ISRAEL, SAUDI ARABIA, AND LEBANON IS TENTATIVELY PLANNED FOR NEXT OCTOBER, ALTHOUGH DATES AND COMPLETE ITINERARY NOT YET DETERMINED.

2. THIS WILL BE SECOND OVERSEAS TRIP FOR MACEACHEN THIS YEAR. HE WILL VISIT WEST AFRICA THIS MONTH, AND POSSIBLE EAST AFRICA NEXT WINTER (REFTEL). IT IS NOTEWORTHY THAT ALL OF THESE ARE TO "THIRD WORLD" COUNTRIES, IN KEEPING WITH MACEACHEN'S EXPRESSED INTEREST IN CLOSER RELATIONAHIPS WITH THESE AREAS. AS REFTEL POINTS OUT, MACEACHEN'S PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE HAS BEEN IN "HUMANITARIAN" MINISTRIES, LABOR,
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HEALTH, ETC. HE IS SOMETHING OF A NEOPHYTE IN FOREIGN

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AFFAIRS,AND EUROPEAN RELATIONS SINCE HE ASSUMED
HIS PRESENT POSITION HAVE BEEN TO SOME EXTENT TAKEN
OVER BY PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU. MACEACHEN'S EXPERIENCE
AND INCLINATION APPARENTLY DIRECT MUST OF HIS INTEREST TO
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